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Applicant: Bevil J. Hogg

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Examiner: Huong Q. Nguyen

Title: Method and Apparatus for Improved Surgical Navigation

Employing Electronic Identification With Automatically

Actuated Flexible Medical Devices

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Commissioner for Patents

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## AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed August 31, 2011, please amend the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below.

Applicant hereby petitions under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for a two-month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action and includes a fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a).

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.